SHERLOCK BONES

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Sherdog & Takeru Wajima

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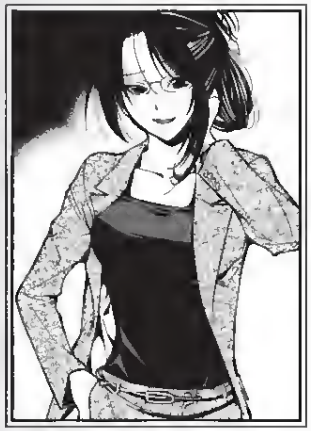
Airin Wajima

Takeru's sister, an inspector in the Violent Crimes Division. She is quite an attractive woman. Sherdog calls her Irene.



Miki Arisaka

A second-year at London Academy High School. Takeru's friend since childhood, and member of the school newspaper staff. Takeru's crush.

THE STORY SO FAR

"Hello, my dear Watson."
The dog spoke! Takeru took a dog home from the pound, and he turned out to be Sherlock Holmes! But apparently Takeru is the only one who can understand him speak. Named for Sherlock Holmes, but with a canine spin, Sherdog and his master Takeru find themselves surrounded by mysterious crimes in modern-day Japan!!

STORY

CHARACTERS

Takeru Wajima

A second-year at London Academy High School, he is an ordinary student who loves dogs. He is Sherdog's owner and the one person who can understand him. When Sherdog saw his name, he misread it as Watson, and appointed Takeru his assistant. Perhaps through some trick of fate, the two are mixed up in all kinds of difficult mysteries.

Sherdog
(Sherlock Holmes)

The mixed-breed puppy that Takeru adopted. His true identity is that of the world-famous detective, Sherlock Holmes. When he has the Wajima family's heirloom pipe in his mouth, he can speak to Takeru. He solves crimes with Takeru, learning about the modern world in the process.

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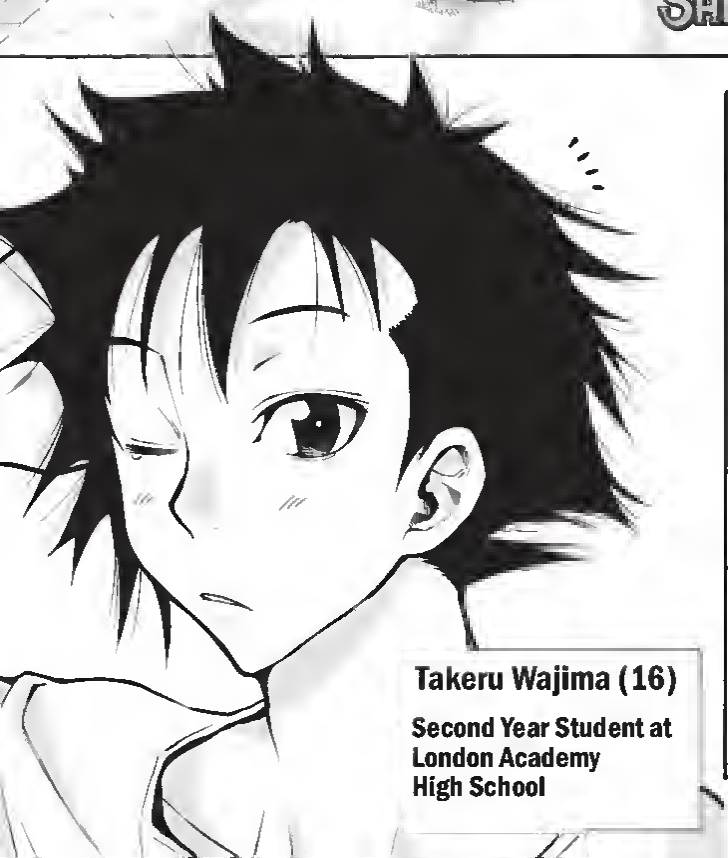
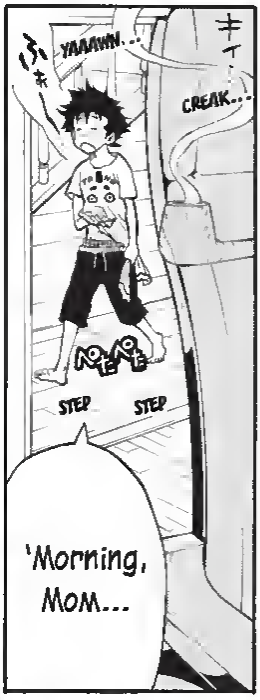
Tea Time 1 ⚜ An Unusual Guest



Takeru Wajima (16)

Second Year Student at London Academy High School



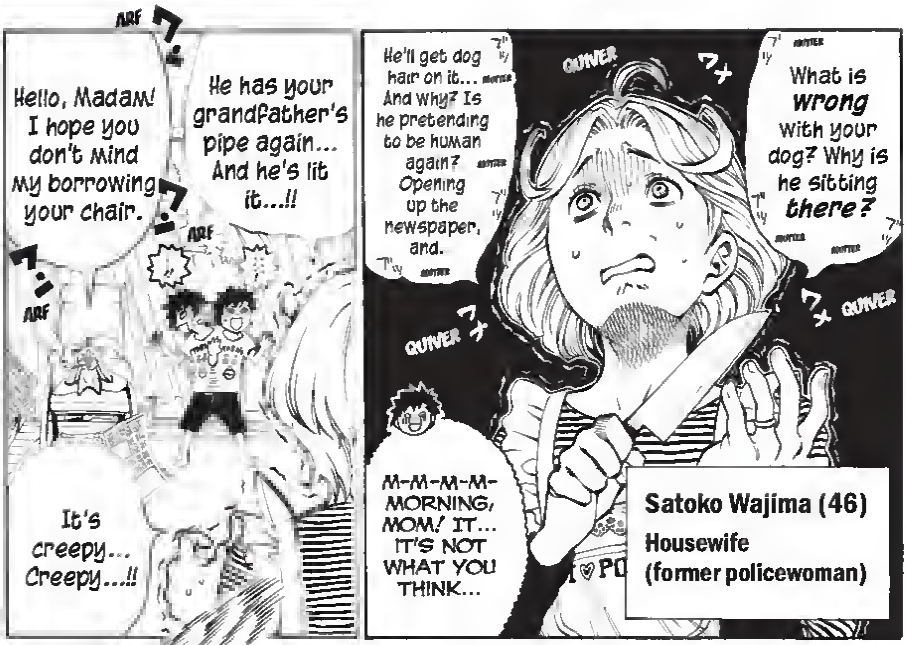
Sherdog!!!
RUSTLE
Good morning, My dear Watson.
?
HEH...
I know it's Sunday, but let's not sleep the entire day away, hm?

I had a chair just like this on Baker Street in London.
I would sit there, smoking my pipe and reading the Times.
And my name is SherLOCK, Watson.
I told you, you can't sit there, Sherdog!
That rocking chair is Mom's favorite spot!
Even I stay out of it!

It appears there's been a series of break-ins in our neighbor-hood.
Of course, with the great Sherlock Holmes on the case, it won't be long before the criminal is brought to justice.

...
He's not listening.
Hm? Take a look at this article, Watson.

JOLT
Mom!
?!
Takeru.


ARF
Hello, Madam! I hope you don't mind my borrowing your chair.
He has your grandfather's pipe again... And he's lit it...!!
It's creepy... Creepy...!!
He'll get dog hair on it... And why? Is he pretending to be human again? Opening up the newspaper, and.
QUIVER
What is wrong with your dog? Why is he sitting there?
M-M-M-M-MORNING, MOM! IT... IT'S NOT WHAT YOU THINK...
Satoko Wajima (46)
Housewife
(former policewoman)

THAT'S IT! YOU'RE TAKING HIM BACK TO THE SHELTER!!
Please! Anything but that!
YIP!
WHOOM
I...I'll discipline him! I promise!!
DASH

...Hmm.

The lady of the house is in an even fouler mood than usual today.

VOOM

The hair! The dog hair!!

Sigh.

...You can't keep doing this.

If I were to go off to school and leave you here...

Are you suggesting that history's greatest detective wear a collar, go out for walkies, and answer the call of nature in the middle of the street?

Yeah, 'cause you refuse to act like a dog!

How did you light that, anyway?

SULK

CLANG

...someone would take you off to the pound while I was gone.

No, not that!!

What?!

?!

ARF!

You have my word!!

...I sure hope so...

You stay here and don't get into any trouble, Sherdog!

...Look! Now she's at Max crankiness, and it's all your fault!

C-coming!

Takeruuu!! I'm going shopping! Come carry groceries for me!

...To do something to improve the lady's mood.
HOP
I know! I'll take this opportunity...
TEP
Whew. One must be considerate when relying on the hospitality of others.
?!
CRASH
This is quite the pile of dishes.
Dear me.
SCRITCH
Well, the challenge makes it all the more worth...
...doing!
CATCH
...
ZUNN...

Oh no you don't!!
はむっ!
HOMPH!
!!
SLIP
LIFT
N...never mind. I'll... clean it up later.
ZSHH
CHOMP
カリッ
I'll start with this large plate...
WINCE
DROP
SMASH
SHATTER
CRASH
ZSHH
Whew. That was close...
FWICK
ちゅん
SWAY
...
G-GLANCE

Good heavens!!
MWOM...

I'll clean the mess and the matter will be resolved!!
This isn't a problem! A quick observation tells me there weren't any particularly expensive dishes in that pile!
ZH
ZH
ZH
ZH
ZH

I'll just clean it up! To the vacuum cleaner!!
DASH
S-stay calm!

TADAH!!
One of the great conveniences of modern civilization—the electric vacuum cleaner!!

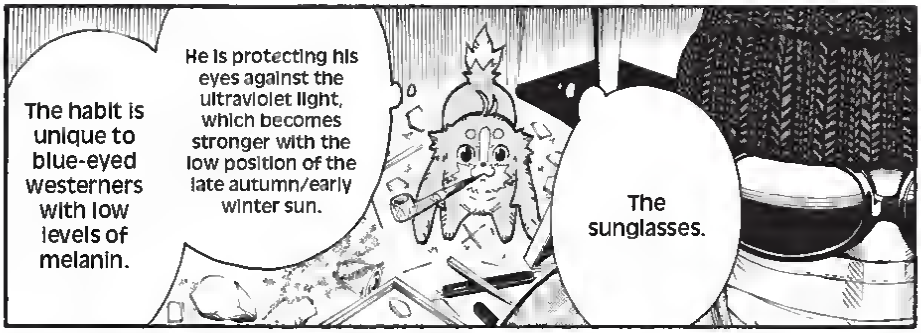
SCRUNCH
ゴしゃっ
Just...just clean it up!
VHEEEH
CRASH
Clean, unsmudge, immaculify...
どんっ
WHAM
SWIP
SWIP
ZH
ZH
ZH

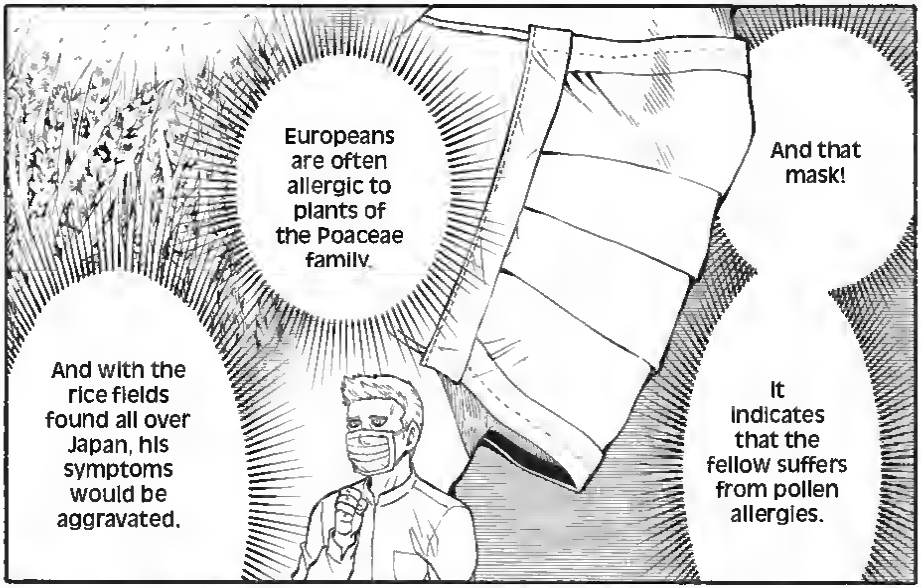
RUMBLE
...
RUMBLE
How...?
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
How did this happen...?

Whoa...!
WINCE
OFF TO THE POUND WITH YOU!!
This will certainly do nothing to improve the lady's disposition...
SHUDDER
KWAH!
What? No, that's not...
Are the dogcatchers here for me already?
Who's there?!
And sunglasses!!
A ski cap,
He's wearing a mask,
He carries a bag with an intricate pattern on it!!
His shoes are still on his feet!!

His dress indicates that he is...!!
DUUUN
What the hell? Somebody beat me in here.
I have already determined his identity!!
The brain of the unparalleled super-sleuth is working at full capacity!
Heh heh heh! I can see it all.
SMIRK
Man, this place is a disaster area.
This isn't just a break-in, it's downright robbery.
Only a very few peoples have a custom of removing their shoes upon entering a home.
Outside of certain Eastern cultures such as Japan,
Ergo he must be a westerner.
First, he came into the house without removing his shoes.

...is in the paisley* pattern on the bag he carries on his back!!
The clue...
So what is his nationality?!
*The pattern is actually a Japanese style arabesque, not paisley.
And so it came to be called Paisley. Therefore...
Paisley
Scotland
Thence, textiles with this pattern were mass-produced in Paisley, Scotland at the beginning of the nineteenth century.
The design originated in Persia, but traveled through India to Great Britain during colonial times
Furthermore!
Our visitor has come from Scotland!!
Ugh, what a filthy mess...
It offends my larcener's aesthetic.


The habit is unique to blue-eyed westerners with low levels of melanin.
He is protecting his eyes against the ultraviolet light, which becomes stronger with the low position of the late autumn/early winter sun.
The sunglasses.

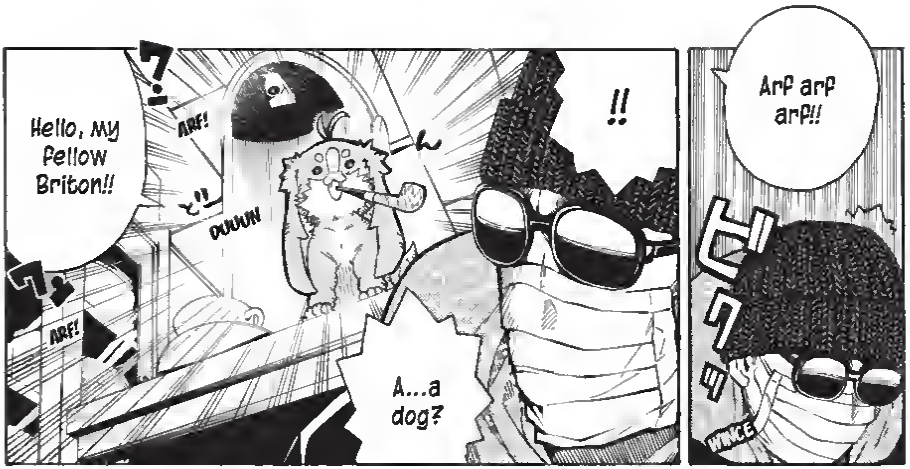

Europeans are often allergic to plants of the Poaceae family.
And that mask!
And with the rice fields found all over Japan, his symptoms would be aggravated.
It indicates that the fellow suffers from pollen allergies.

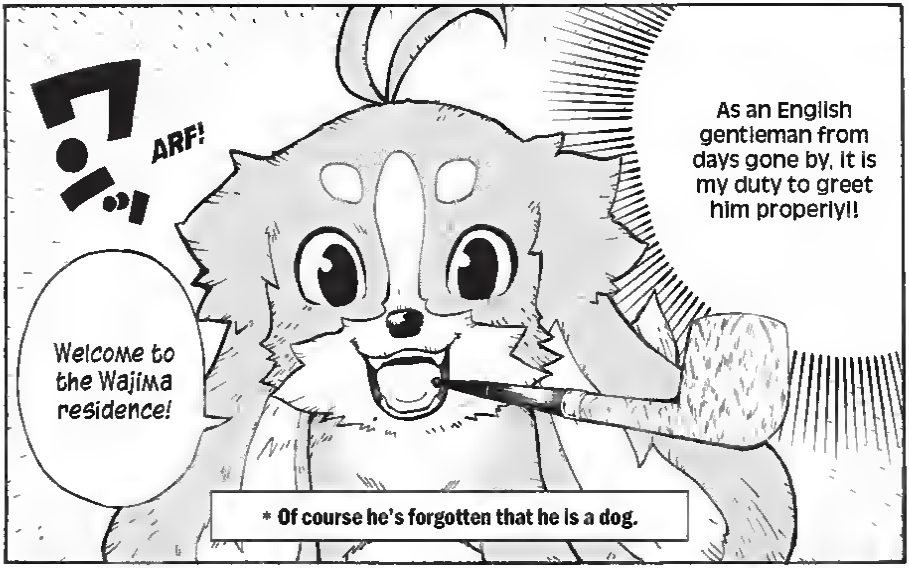
That ski cap!
The final question.

My allergy theory is sound...
Hmm...
Really? He had to spill pepper everywhere, too?
Achoo!!

Now then...
Heh. Even forced into a dog's body, the great Holmes is still in top form!!

...has always had a deep connection to Europe, England in particular.
There is no mistaking that the Wajima family...
As indicated by the fact that my favorite pipe from 100 years ago was found resting on their mantelpiece.
And yet he wears a ski cap.
There are very few places in Japan where one can go skiing at this time of year.
Ski Resort
He must have a reason!
...then came to visit his friend, the man of the house here, in Japan...
Ergo, our guest...
...first enjoyed some off-peak season skiing in the Alps, most likely in Switzerland...
...after which he will return home to Scotland!!


Hello, My fellow Briton!!
?
ARF!
OUUUN
ARF!
!!
A...a dog?
Arf arf arf!!
HUGE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ARF!
As an English gentleman from days gone by, it is my duty to greet him properly!!
Welcome to the Wajima residence!
* Of course he's forgotten that he is a dog.

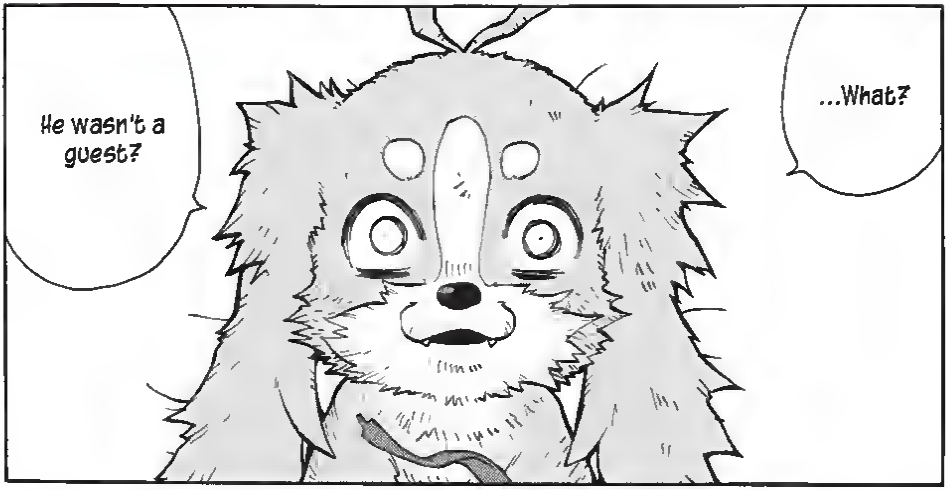
Allow me to...
WOBBLE

Might I offer you some coffee?
OOF...
They have a dog...

HO-HOT! HOT HOT!!
SPLASH
SHOONK
I'm gonna kill y—
Y...you stupid dog!
N...no!! I've spilled hot water on our guest!
YIP YIP YIP
KACHAK
We're home!
?
Gyaaa...! Don't...don't bite me!!
ARE ARE ARE!
O-oh no! You're bleeding! Please remove your shoes!!
O-owww!! G... glass! Broken glass!
SLAM!

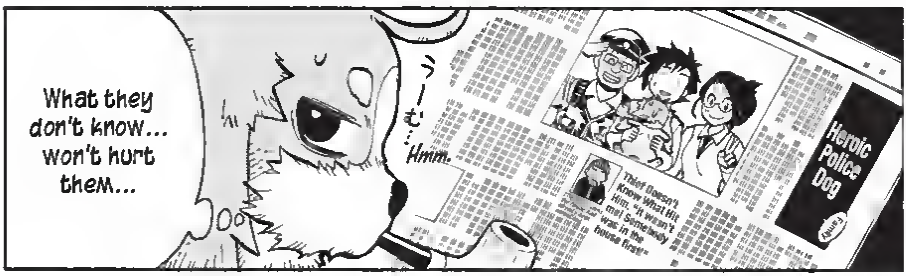
It was him! His outfit just screams intruder!!
Wh-what the—!!
What happened to our house?!
Come quietly, you...
Airin Wajima (24)
Takeru's sister. Inspector. Violent Crimes Division
Kōsuke Wajima (48)
Takeru's father. police sergeant
...
P... POLICE ...?
WH...
WHY ME...?

Did Sherdog... catch the thief?
...
SLUMP
D...did...


He wasn't a guest?
...What?

...
Whoa, really, Airin-nēchan?! That's awesome Sherdog!!
It's true! The thief from all those break-ins!
We found Sherdog biting him, throwing hot water on him... He caught him!

We'll have to take good care of this one!! Right, Mom?
No kidding!
You saved our whole house!
...
...
Ha ha ha!
はっはっは。
PET
PET
NO FEAR NO LIFE


What they don't know... won't hurt them...
うーむ。
Hmm.
Heroic Police Dog
Thief doesn't know what hit him! "It wasn't me! Somebody was in the house first!"